

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALBERT J. SOLNIT CHILDREN'S
CENTER.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 19a-490 of the 2020 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective April 1, 2021*):

4 (a) "Institution" means a hospital, short-term hospital special hospice,
5 hospice inpatient facility, residential care home, nursing home facility,
6 home health care agency, home health aide agency, behavioral health
7 facility, assisted living services agency, substance abuse treatment
8 facility, outpatient surgical facility, outpatient clinic, an infirmary
9 operated by an educational institution for the care of students enrolled
10 in, and faculty and employees of, such institution; a facility engaged in
11 providing services for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment or care of
12 human health conditions, including facilities operated and maintained
13 by any state agency; and a residential facility for persons with
14 intellectual disability licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and certified
15 to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an intermediate care
16 facility for individuals with intellectual disability. "Institution" does not
17 include any facility for the care and treatment of persons with mental
18 illness or substance use disorder operated or maintained by any state
19 agency, except Whiting Forensic Hospital and the hospital and
20 psychiatric residential treatment facility units of the Albert J. Solnit
21 Children's Center;

22 Sec. 2. Section 19a-490 of the general statutes is amended by adding

23 subsection (q) as follows (*Effective April 1, 2021*):

24 (NEW) (q) "Psychiatric residential treatment facility" means a
25 nonhospital facility with a provider agreement with the Department of
26 Social Services to provide inpatient services to Medicaid-eligible
27 individuals under the age of twenty-one.

28 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Public
29 Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
30 chapter 54 of the general statutes, concerning licensure by the
31 Department of Public Health of the psychiatric residential treatment
32 facilities at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center. As used in this
33 subsection, "psychiatric residential treatment facility" means a
34 nonhospital facility with a provider agreement with the Department of
35 Social Services to provide inpatient services to Medicaid-eligible
36 individuals under the age of twenty-one.

37 (b) The commissioner may implement policies and procedures
38 concerning the licensure of the psychiatric residential treatment
39 facilities at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center while in the process of
40 adopting such policies and procedures as regulations, provided notice
41 of intent to adopt regulations is published on the eRegulations System
42 not later than twenty days after the date of implementation. Policies and
43 procedures implemented pursuant to this subsection shall be valid until
44 the time final regulations are adopted.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>April 1, 2021</i>	19a-490(a)
Sec. 2	<i>April 1, 2021</i>	19a-490
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